

Georgia Housing Needs Assessment Questions and Answers

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DCA will update this document with additional Q&As as new questions are received. Submit a question by using the Needs Assessment Q&A survey posted to the DCA website (click here).

Are the public forums under the Needs Assessment process part of the same set of public sessions held by DCA recently for federal funding under the HOME-ARP program?

➤ No. The Needs Assessment Public Forums are broader in scope and distinct from the HOME-ARP sessions, though DCA expects that many of the same partners will participate in both. Click here for more information on the HOME-ARP Program.

Will DCA staff facilitate the public forums?

➤ No. To promote candid discussion, especially as it pertains to DCA policies and programs, DCA staff have been advised to not attend the forums. The Needs Assessment consultant will facilitate discussion.

How long are the public forums?

Each session is expected to be 90 minutes.

Are the Public Forums the only way for members of the public to provide input for the Needs Assessment?

➤ No. DCA will publish a survey for members of the public to provide written input to consider for Needs Assessment analysis. This survey will allow the public to provide input in greater detail than was discussed in a particular forum or to provide information if they were unable to attend a forum.

DCA will publicize this public input survey at a later date. To receive public notices related to the Needs Assessment, including but not limited to DCA's release of the public input survey, visit the Needs Assessment page of the DCA website and select "Click here to receive email notifications…" (click here).

Are there any limitations on how many public forums an individual can attend?

➤ No. Any member of the public can attend as many of the sessions as they are able to attend. Given the overlap between certain session topics, we expect many participants to attend multiple sessions.